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CPQ Accepted and Other Changes

what amounts to a revolution in psychology licensure in Arizona, the Legislature has revised the Board's statutes to make it easier for experienced psychologists from other states to become licensed in Arizona. Arizona will now accept psychologists licensed in other states on the basis of endorsement — i . е . recognizing qualification on the basis of the following three credentials: the Certificate of Professional Qualification in Psychology (CPQ), a listing in the National Register of Health

Service Providers in Psychology (NRHSPP), and a diploma from the American Board of Professional. Psychology (ABPP).

Until now. psychologists licensed in other states have had to follow the same application process as newly minted psychologists, fresh out of their postdoctoral training. In addition to the difficulty of locating former supervisors from sometimes decades ago, archaic provisions of the licensure law had made applying for a license in Arizona a difficult ordeal. For example, the law previously required that an applicant who took the national examination before it was first given in Arizona, on October 20, 1978, had to retake the examination. One highly experienced psychologist learned about this







Arizona now accepts the ABPP, NRHSPP, and CPQ credentials for meeting licensure requirements.

provision the hard way after having his application denied because he took the exam before 1978, and because he declined to retake the exam. Under the new changes, he could now qualify for licensure.

Other changes to the licensing laws also make it easier for psychologists to make up coursework deficiencies in order to be licensed, and allow individuals who possess doctoral degrees in related fields (such as sports psychology, rehabilitation,

> special education, counseling, etc.) to complete a respecialization program psychology, complete 3,000 hours of supervised professional experience, and become licensed psychologists.

> Another change disqualifies

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Much Ado About Psychotherapy

With the passage of recent legislation proposed by the Board of Behavioral Health Examiners (BBHE), approximately 5,800 more individuals may now legally practice psychotherapy.

House Bill 2570 broadens the

the practice of psychotherapy. The BBHE certifies professional counselors (CPCs), marriage and family therapists (MFTs), certified independent social workers (CISWs), and certified substance abuse counselors (CSACs). Previously, only BBHE's statutes to include CISWs were permitted to

practice psychotherapy based on their legal scope of practice. According to the BBHE, most services provided by all of their certified professions fall within their definition of psychotherapy, which broadly defines

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Message from the Chairperson

David P. Yandell, Ph.D.

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Complainants and Licensees Before the Board: Fair to Whom?

It is not difficult to find widely varied opinions regarding the fairness of psychology regulatory boards to their licensees and their effectiveness with respect to protecting the public. In a recent interview with the former Director of the APA Practice Directorate, Bryant Welch, Ph.D., (Insight: Safeguarding Psychologists Against Liability Risks, Edition 1, 2001) titled "Caution: State Licensing Board Ahead," he offers such intimidating opinions "nothing protects a psychologist from an arbitrary or irrational decision by the licensing board . . . "; "the licensing board itself serves as investigator, prosecutor, judge, jury, and appeals court. . ."; "What I see in some cases is a harsh form

Monday morning quarterbacking . . . If a board member reaches a conclusion that he or she would have done things differently, that may, ipso facto, lead to the conclusion that the psychologist did not practice competently." While we should consider that Dr. Welch's opinions are presented in the context of his role as a salesman for a professional liability insurance company, they likely embody the concerns o f many psychologists.

In contrast, consider the extensive national investigation published in a series of articles by the Cleveland Plain Dealer and summarized in the National Psychologist ("Rehabilitation or Punishment, Newspaper Series Ponders." January/February, 2000 vol. 9, no 1.):

psychologists who have engaged in serious professional misconduct [who] practice today because the reluctance of regulators to put them out of business." Even among those psychologists disciplined for sexual misconduct, they identified 20% who "were given reprimands or were placed on probation under terms that allowed them to continue their practices." Christopher Barden, Ph.D., J.D., a former member of the Minnesota Psychology Board, testified before a committee of the Arizona Legislature that psychology regulatory boards are "captured boards," boards that have been "captured" by the very profession they are supposed to regulate. Their allegiance, he contends, is

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Changes on the Board

The Board welcomed two new members earlier this year, James Cox, Ed.D. of Casa Grande and Manuel Delgado, Jr., J.D. of Peoria. Dr. Cox, a psychologist, replaces psychologist Gary Lovejoy, Ph.D. as a professional practice member, and Mr. Delgado, an attorney, replaces attorney T.H. Guerin, Jr., J. D. as a public member.

Since last year, Dr. Cox has worked for the Tohono O'odham reservation, providing psychotherapy services and conducting psychoed ucational evaluations for students. Prior to that, he was a

professor o f clinical psychology at the Arizona School of Professional Psychology (now Argosy University), where he taught graduate courses in testing, ethics a n d applied psychotherapy. Dr. Cox has also worked in private practice, for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and has served as president of both the Arizona Psychological Association (1998) and the Arizona Counselors Association (1984).

Mr. Delgado, a graduate of Arizona State University, has been licensed to practice law in Arizona since 1993. He is currently in private practice and practices primarily in the areas of domestic relations and criminal law. He is married and has two children.

Mr. Delgado has been assigned to the Office Operations and Policy Statements Committees, while Dr. Cox has replaced Dr. Rohrbaugh on the Applications Review Committee and is assigned to the Continuing Education Committee.

The new members, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, are appointed to 5-year terms that expire on January 15, 2007. The Board is pleased to have these two gentlemen on its membership.

New Licensees of the Board

On behalf of all Arizona licensed psychologists, the Board welcomes our 40 newest licensees who have been licensed since our last newsletter was published (August 2001):

Leticia Amick, Ph.D.	Phoenix
William Arnett, Psy.D.	Whiteriver
Stephen Bailey, Ed.D.	Flagstaff
Connie Beck, Ph.D.	Tucson
Paul Beljan, Psy.D.	Illinois
Christopher Berry, Ph.D.	Scottsdale
Pietro D'Ingillo, Psy.D.	California
Sarah Edmonds, Ph.D.	Prescott
Barbara Forester, Ph.D.	Phoenix
Camille Garza, Ph.D.	Mesa
Edward Gold, Psy.D.	Flagstaff
Amy Gorsline, Psy.D.	Phoenix
Christopher Gunn, Ph.D.	Flagstaff
Nancy Harris, Psy.D.	Wickenburg
Kara Hendry, Psy.D.	Phoenix
Lawrence Henry, Ed.D.	Peoria
Kelly Irvine, Psy.D.	Phoenix
Michael Johnson, Ph.D.	Tempe
Erika Kao, Ph.D.	Phoenix
Kenneth Keller, Ph.D.	Oregon
Deborah Kiley, Ph.D.	Illinois
Noel Kilgarriff, Psy.D.	Scottsdale
Robert Kurklen, Ph.D.	Phoenix
Todd Linaman, Ph.D.	Tucson
Jennifer McCutcheon, PsyD.	Phoenix
Paul Meyer, Psy.D.	Mesa
Josefa Molina, Ph.D.	Tucson
Daniel Montaldi, Ph.D.	Colorado
Nichole Nicholls, Ph.D.	Glendale
Alan Ogus, Ph.D.	Gilbert
Sharon Ozer, Ph.D.	Scottsdale
Elena Parra, Ph.D.	Tucson
Petra Peper, Ph.D.	Scottsdale
Cori Perkins, Ed.D.	Flagstaff
Roxana Samaniego, Ph.D.	Tempe
James Seward, Ph.D.	Delaware
Tristan Sophia, Psy.D.	New Mexico
Scott Storm, Psy.D.	New Mexico
Kathleen Wellbrock, Ph.D.	California
Jennifer Weller, Ph.D.	Phoenix

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"Psychotherapy" Changes

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"psychotherapy" as a variety of treatment methods developing out of generally accepted theories about human behavior and development (A.R.S. § 32-3251).

Psychology Board's statute, A.R.S. § 32-2084, has long prohibited persons not licensed by the Board or exempt, from practicing psychology or using the designation "psychotherapist" or any derivation of the root word "psycho." accordance with this law, the Board has issued cease and desist letters to certified behavioral health professionals advertising the service of psychotherapy. As prior newsletters have shown,

the Board has more aggressively enforced this in recent years, which resulted in more certified professionals being found in violation. This

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resulted in a flood of calls to the BBHE as their professionals complained of the Psychology B o ard's opposition to what many of them claim to

have been doing for years, unaware of the Psychology Board's statutes.

Behavioral health professionals also argued that when they bill insurance companies for their services, they are required to use the correct CPT codes to denote their services, but that the only available code for their counseling services was "psychotherapy." They feared that if their services

could not be acknowledged as psychotherapy, they would be ineligible for reimbursement through insurance companies.

The Board voted in January to oppose the BBHE

legislation on the grounds that the bill was not a technical change, as it was first labeled, and that it actually amounted to an increase in the scope of practice for behavioral health professionals. An increase in a profession's scope of practice actually requires an agency to go through a process of sunrise hearings in the Legislature prior to the introduction of such legislation. To dispel these concerns, the bill was no longer officially labeled as a technical change.

With this legislation, the BBHE has effectively exempted all of their professionals from the prohibition against advertising their services as "psychotherapy." The one qualification for CSACs is that they may only practice psychotherapy as it relates to substance abuse or chemical dependency. As a result of this change, the Board anticipates a decrease in the amount of cease and desist letters it issues.

Board Opens New Rulemaking Docket

The Board has opened a new rulemaking docket. At its April 5-6, 2002 meeting, the Board considered making several mostly technical changes to the rules. New rules are needed to implement the Board's endorsement

legislation, but other proposed changes would revise the semester-quarter-trimester hour conversion for coursework, require 3 to 4 hours of continuing education in ethics, and revise application filing deadlines

due to the computerized EPPP, which would reflect the Board's current practice. Comments and suggestions may be received at the Board office during business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

What the Board Tells About You As a Licensee

The Board receives scores of calls everyday from the public asking for information about you. The most frequent type of public information request is what we call a verification—when typically a healthcare provider, or credentialing organization calls or writes confirm that a psychologist is licensed. Board staff will ask for the license number. We would then inform the caller that "Dr. Ima Psychologist, is Actively (or Inactively) licensed, since (issue date). Her license expires April 30, 2003, and she has no complaints (hopefully). there have been complaints, but no disciplinary action, we report that the license is in good standing, with no disciplinary action. If the caller inquires about the complaint(s), we report the general nature of the complaint (i.e. unprofessional conduct, confidentiality, fees). All documents relating to

investigations are confidential, but any disciplinary actions and Board orders are public record.

Private individuals checking into a doctor's reputation generally seek more information, such as where a doctor went to school, what their specialties are, and the identity of any complainants against the psychologist (which is confidential by law.)

2001 Statistics

Number of...

Applications received	79
Licenses issued	57
Licensees audited for CE	53
Licensees CE compliant	50
Complaints received	44
Title Letters issued	44
Examinees taking EPPP	23
Board meetings	13
Applications denied	7
Disciplinary actions	6
Letters of Concern	6
Suits Against Board	3
Revocations	3
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Actions Taken by the Board (Since last newsletter, August 2001)

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2000-016 Trisdale, Sandra Revoked: Violation of a formal Board order and term of probation. (Effective October 30, 2001).			Bayless, Michael	Dismissed				
2000-023	Marshall, Margaret	Dismissed	2001-025	Malatesta, Daniel	Dismissed			
2001-002	Allen, Lawrence	Dismissed	2001-026	Malatesta, Daniel	Dismissed			
2001-002	Beck, John, Jr.	Dismissed	2001-027	Cabianca,Leonard	Dismissed			
			2001-028 Leighton, David		Dismissed			
	Selmi, Paulette rmissible decision, bas	Letter of Concern: After she led on her case analysis, not to	2001-029	Lavit, Ronald	Dismissed			
failed to prinformation efforts to dwas unawa	rovide the therapy trea n about which she had clarify the terms of the re of the statutes regard	ned in her medical records, she atment plan and any medication I knowledge; she did not make e joint legal custody order; and ding medical records (A.R.S. §§	2001-030 Hannemann, Valerie Letter of Concern: Did not take seriously the consequences of failing to renew her license; continued to practice on an expired license; insufficient record-keeping regarding appointments and deadlines in this matter. 2001-032 Dunlap, Margaret Letter of Concern: Failed to					
12-2291— 2001-013	Lavit, Ronald	Dismissed	provide con		ocumentation to the Board in a			
2001-014	001111111111111111111111111111111111111		2001-033	Wiggins, Alfred	Informal Interview			
make inaco His decision	s under Rule 35, AZ curate conclusions with on to proceed with a	ing the implementation of Rules of Civil Procedure, and regard to identifying his client. formal evaluation in this case,	2001-034 Zatkowsky, Michael Letter of Concern: Failed to provide continuing education documentation to the Board in a timely manner during 1999-2001 renewal period.					
		y the person who was evaluated; ne wife's attorney and his prior	2001-035	Youngjohn, James	Dismissed			
relationshi	p with the wife's	attorney, however disclosed,	2001-036	Christiano, Daniel	Informal Interview			
established	the potential for an ina	appropriate bias.	2001-037	Beck, John, Jr.	Informal Interview			
2001-015	Harrell, Janet	Dismissed	2001-038	Gray, Steven	Dismissed			
2001-016	Fidler, Walter	Consent Agreement: Uprof-	2001-039	Lovejoy, Gary	Dismissed			
		ure, 3 years probation, quarterly ternist, psychotherapy, practice	2001-040	Gaughan, Daniel	Dismissed			
monitor, 3	semester hours in ethic	cs and 3 in marriage and family	2001-041	01-041 Tromp, Shannon Dismiss				
	lesson restitution to the ace companies. (Effecti	Complainant and \$4449.10 to ive April 9, 2002).	2001-042	Becker, Judith	Dismissed			
2001-017	Esplin, Phillip	Dismissed	2001-043	Beck, John, Jr.	Dismissed			
2001-018	Powers, Marilyn	Consent Agreement: Unprof-	2001-044	Goodman, Gary	Dismissed			
		create or maintain adequate	2001-045	Harris, Anne	Dismissed			
		hology or hold herself out as her license. (Effective January	2001-046	Harnell, William	Informal Interview			
15, 2002).			2001-047	Luick, Anthony	Informal Interview			
2001-019	Beck, John, Jr.	Dismissed	2002-001	Levidow, Debra	Dismissed			
2001-020	Esplin, Phillip	Dismissed	2002-002	Prince, David	Informal Interview			
2001-021	Cheifetz, Lorna	Letter of Concern: Performed	2002-003	Gaughan, Daniel	Dismissed			
a custody evaluation that resulted in a report and clarity, contained conclusions and recor- not reference supporting data, and failed to		s and recommendations that did nd failed to address limitations	2002-004	Nicholls, Christopher	Dismissed			
regarding of procedures		based on the instruments and	2002-005	Boyer, Clayton	Informal Interview			
2001-022	Jenkins, Michelle	Dismissed	2002-006	Moran, John	Dismissed			
2001-022	Marshall, Margaret	Dismissed	2002-007	Littleford, Warren	Dismissed			
2001-023	Marshan, Margaret	Distillised	2002-008	Artiola, Lidia	Dismissed			
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Legislative Changes

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psychologists seeking licensure if they have voluntarily surrendered a license while under investigation for unprofessional conduct, or if they have an investigation pending in another state. This closes a loophole for unprofessional practitioners and brings the Board into line with other agencies that prohibit this as well.

Psychologists holding a CPQ, NRHSPP, or ABPP credential now have a streamlined application to complete which could eliminate the usual two to three month or longer wait. The credentials qualify as meeting their education, training and examination requirements, except that NRHSPP holders would need to have their national exam score provided as well, since an examination is not required to obtain the NRHSPP credential.

Due to the magnanimity the Board and the zealous efforts of Dr. Wil Counts, with these changes, Arizona joins over 33 states that accept one or more of these credentials, and becomes one of the few states to accept all three. The law goes into effect 90 days after the legislative session ends and the Board is in the process of revising its rules and procedures to accommodate the new endorsement applications.



Dr. Gary Lovejoy "exited" gracefully in April 2002 after 5 years as a Board member.

Board meetings are open to the public and any person may address the Board on any subject related to the Board's business for five minutes during the "Call to the Public." This is usually scheduled at 8:45 a.m. on Fridays. The Board may not discuss, consider, or take action on subjects not appearing on the agenda.

Contact the Board office for further information regarding the agenda,

In Memoriam

The Board would like to commemorate the life of Terry Scritchlow, Ph.D. of Sedona, who passed away on April 16, 2002 at the age of 51. Dr. Scritchlow was dedicated to improving the profession of psychology in Arizona and lived with that purpose in mind. He was appointed to the Board of Psychologist Examiners by Governor Rose Mofford in 1990. He served two terms as Chairman of the Board from 1991-1993, and was instrumental at that time in drafting and obtaining passage of the Board's licensure act. From 1993 to 1995, he served as a lobbyist from the Board to the Legislature, and continued his involvement with the Board for several years after his term as a consultant in licensure and complaint cases, reporting unlicensed practitioners, and in giving his input regarding statute and rules revisions.

Dr. Scritchlow also was very active in the Arizona Psychological Association (AzPA), serving in various offices and providing consultation to the Legislature on their behalf. He received their Distinguished Service Award in 1991, and a second Outstanding Service Award from AzPA in 2000. He was made a Fellow of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) in 1992, an honor held by only four other Arizona psychologists. In 1995, Dr. Scritchlow received the American Psychological Association Karl Heiser Award for Advocacy. The Board has nominated Dr. Scritchlow to be posthumously awarded the ASPPB's Roger C. Smith Award which honors individuals who have made significant contributions to licensing/ certification in their state.

Throughout the 1990's until he became ill last year, Dr. Scritchlow provided consultation and testimony to the legislature on such varied issues as the problem of sex in therapeutic relationships, treatment problems for children, and improving investigative systems for regulatory boards and treatment for juvenile and adult sex offenders. The citizens of Arizona will continue to benefit for years to come due to Dr. Scritchlow's competence, ethics and tireless efforts on behalf of the profession.

Board Moves to Electronic Delivery of *The Examiner*

This is a historic issue of the Board's newsletter for several reasons:

- 1. It is the first issue with a name: *The Examiner*
- 2. It is the first issue with photographs and lots of color
- 3. It is the first newsletter to be mass e-mailed to licensees
- 4. It is the last issue that will be mailed to some licensees in hard copy format.

This issue of The Examiner is the last one to be published in the hard copy format. Beginning with Volume 8, *The Examiner* will be available only in Adobe Acrobat (*. pdf) format. As in the case of previous issues, *The Examiner* will continue to be available on the Board website, www.psychboard.az.gov. The Board will email licensees when future issues are available.

This change will allow *The Examiner* to be distributed in a more efficient and cost effective manner. Licensees will now be able to get the newsletter the same day it is ready, not merely 2-3 weeks after it has been printed. It is also more colorful and attractive online as well. Licensees desiring a hard copy need only print out one for themselves from the website, in black-in-white or color.

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Fair to Whom?

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not to the protection of the public but the protection of their fellow psychologists.

From having served on the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners since 1991. I am convinced that both of the above perspectives are clearly incorrect in Arizona. Indeed, I am not alone in this The Arizona Auditor General opinion. concluded in its very thorough audit in 1999 that the Board was resolving complaints in a timely and fair manner that fulfilled the Board's mission to protect the public while providing appropriate due process protection for licensees. Feedback is solicited from everyone having business with the Board. Both complainants and licensees frequently mention, in positive terms, the extent to which the Board goes to be thorough and fair in its complaint proceedings. Those in attendance at Board deliberations often comment on the thoroughness of the process and the substantial efforts and struggle devoted to arriving at a conclusion consistent with the statutes and rules governing our profession. Some have asked how nine Board members can have differing and, at times, strongly held differing opinions, and why some votes are not unanimous. Our good friend and distinguished Board member, the late Terry Scritchlow, Ph.D., used to respond to this question by stating, "For the same reason that there are nine justices on the Supreme Court."

An additional perspective regarding the Board can be obtained from reviewing the history of the Board. disciplinary Summarized in these tables are data regarding the resolution of all complaints filed from January 1, 1989 through December 31, 2001. The figures are complete with the exception of 5 ongoing complaints which have yet to be resolved, which when resolved will alter the final numbers slightly. The data presented was collected with the extensive assistance of the Board's Investigator, David Shapiro, and would have been virtually impossible without his efforts. The data is presented by year and identifies the number of complaints filed, non-disciplinary action (including both dismissals and Letters of Concern) and disciplinary action

(including the types of disciplinary action).

For the 13 year period, the Board received a total of 549 complaints and found unprofessional conduct and took disciplinary action in 70 or 12.7%. The total number of complaints resulting in a finding of no statutory violation of professional conduct was 474 or 86.3%.

Feedback from complainants and licensees frequently mention, in positive terms, the extent to which the Board goes to be thorough and fair in its complaint proceedings.

I initially presented this data, in a somewhat less complete form, on January 18 to the Maricopa County Superior Court, Domestic Relations Judges and the Superior Court Child Custody Evaluators, most of whom are psychologists. A commonly heard opinion from those psychologists working in child custody is perhaps consistent with the concerns noted by Dr. Welch above: that they are unfairly subjected to more frequent complaints and found to have engaged in unprofessional conduct by the Board more frequently than psychologists practicing in other arenas. To address this concern I utilized a "play on words" and gave my presentation the title: Psychologists in Custody.

Of the 549 complaints received in the past 13 years, those arising out of custody issues totaled 115 (21%). Of these 115 complaints, disciplinary action was taken in 7 (6%) and Letters of Concern issued in 11 (9.6%). Noncustody based complaints, that is all others, totaled 434 (79%). Of these 434 complaints, disciplinary action was taken in 63 (14%) and Letters of Concern were issued in 42 (9.6%). These figures demonstrate that psychologists with complaints arising from custody issues have been the recipients of disciplinary action in 6% of the cases whereas the rate is 14% for the non-custody based complaints. When custody and noncustody based complaints are combined,

the overall findings of unprofessional conduct and imposition of discipline is 12.7%.

While this data will surely not satisfy all the concerns regarding the Board's due process for its licensees and its mission to protect the public, the best way to resolve these concerns is to become a witness to the process by attending Board meetings and observing the process. Attendance at Board meetings is encouraged and continuing education credit can be earned for attendance. Most importantly, by attending meetings and judging for themselves the nature of the proceedings, licensees will be better informed of the statutes and rules regulating psychology and be in a better position to practice in a professional manner. Members of the public will be reassured of the Board's commitment to its mission to protect the public.

Summary of All Complaints and Resolution in Arizona 1989 - 2001*

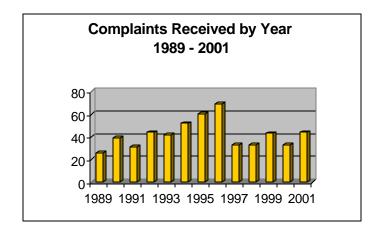
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Total All Complaints	549	100%
Total Discipline	70	12.7%
Total Non-Discipline	474	86.3%
Total Non-Custody Complaints	434	79.0%
Non-Custody Based Discipline	63	14.0%
Non-Custody Non- Discipline	371	86.0%
Total Letters of Concern (LOC's)	50	9.0%
Total Custody Based LOCs	11	22.0%
Non-Custody Based LOC	39	78.0%
Total Custody Based Complaints	115	21.0%
Total Custody Based Discipline	7	6.0%
Total Custody Non- Discipline	108	94.0%
*Ongoing as of 5/2002	5	
*Administratively Closed	8	

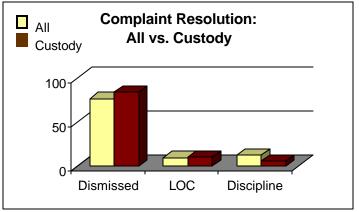
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TOTAL COMPLAINT RESOLUTION: 1989 – 2001*

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	TOTAL
COMPLAINTS	26	39	31	44	42	52	60	69	33	33	43	33	44	549 (100%)
NON- DISCIPLINARY														
DISMISSED	17	32	23	35	25	45	44	62	25	26	34	23	30	421 (76.6%)
LETTERS OF CONCERN	2	4	5	4	5	4	6	4	4	1	4	3	7	53 (9.6%)
DISCIPLINARY														
DECREES OF CENSURE	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	1	3	0	10
PROBATION	1	2	3	0	10	2	4	2	2	4	1	3	1	35
SUSPENSION	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
REVOCATION	5	1	0	4	2	1	4	0	0	1	2	1	1	22
TOTAL DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS	7	3	3	5	12	3	10	3	4	6	5	7	2	70 (12.7%)

^{*5} Ongoing complaints as of May, 2002; 8 closed administratively. **Note:** These figures are based on the year in which a complaint was opened. For example, a complaint opened in 1999 but resolved later in 2000 is factored into 1999 statistics.





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Appellate Update

• Grubb v. Board 1 CA-CV 00-0404

On September 6, 2002 the Arizona Supreme Court denied Christine Grubb, Ph.D.'s petition for review, upholding the Board's probation order.

Allender v. Board CV2001-008193

On December 19, 2001 the Board prevailed in superior court and its finding of moral turpitude by James Allender, Ph.D. and Decree of Censure was upheld. Dr. Allender has filed a notice of appeal.

• McDonald v. Board CV2001-329

Craydon McDonald, Ph.D. was censured and placed on probation by the Board in February 2001. On March 11, 2002, the superior court of Coconino County vacated the Board's decision. The Board has filed a notice of appeal.



CEs for You

By getting involved with the Board you can earn up to 20 continuing education (CE) hours by serving as a Board complaint consultant, and up to 10 CEs for attending a Board meeting. Complaint consultants assist the Board's investigator by reviewing sometimes voluminous amounts of documentation and providing consultations regarding complaints against other psychologists. Those attending a Board meeting may receive 4 CEs for attending a full-day meeting, and 2 CEs for attending a half-day Serving as a Board meeting. member can earn you 10 CEs as well.

(Note: CEs granted by the Board are Category I hours and may not be accepted outside the State of Arizona.)

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